

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND SERVICES IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2021

SPEECH OF

**HON. DANNY K. DAVIS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 26, 2021*

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise in strong support of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Improvement Act. The Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence and its members have clearly communicated to me the critical nature of the Family Violence Prevention and Services funding and the improvements included in this legislation to Chicago and the state of Illinois.

In 2020, these funds helped provide over 547,287 hours of service in Illinois, assisting 42,886 adult survivors of domestic violence and 8,055 child witnesses. These dollars provided shelter, transportation and parental support, legal advocacy and education, crisis intervention, and connections to community resources. For example, Ascend Justice use these federal funds to support their vital work to obtain Orders of Protection for their clients.

Similarly, Metropolitan Family Services used these funds to provide direct emergency support to their clients to help survivors of domestic violence to find or maintain safer housing, feed and clothe their families, protect themselves from COVID-19, and access lifesaving services remotely during the pandemic. Specifically, here are just a few ways Metropolitan Family Services used these funds:

Provided rent and utility payment assistance of between \$500 to \$1000 for 32 clients;

Paid for five hotel shelter nights for a client who was unable to access other emergency shelter when she needed it;

Provided grocery gift cards of between \$50 to \$250 per client for 18 clients experiencing food insecurity;

Provided clothing, toiletries, and/or PPE kits to 50 clients;

Purchased and distributed educational materials about COVID-19 to clients and community members;

Purchased eight Chromebooks to loan to clients to participate in remote domestic violence counseling services to overcome their lack of adequate technology; and

Purchased four laptops for the Domestic Violence Court advocates, allowing them to continue assisting clients with Orders of Protection, legal referrals, and courtroom support while the Centralized Domestic Violence Courthouse in Chicago was operating remotely.

These funds and services mean the difference between safety and harm, and I applaud this House for improving the Family Violence Prevention and Services program. I urge my colleagues to vote in favor of this legislation.

### RECOMMENDING THAT THE HOUSE FIND STEPHEN K. BANNON IN CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS

SPEECH OF

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 21, 2021*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I would like to associate myself with the remarks of all of my colleagues on the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, and particularly those of the Select Committee's Vice Chair, LIZ CHENEY of Wyoming.

Their contributions to this debate have underscored our legislative purpose, the centrality of Steve Bannon's role in our investigation, and the importance of compliance with a duly issued congressional subpoena to the rule of law. I am proud to lead them in this investigation authorized by the House in H. Res. 503.

### HONORING THE CAREER OF MAJOR DENNIS ALLEN

**HON. BRIAN BABIN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the career and recognize the retirement of a true American hero, Major Dennis Allen. Major Allen has served his community and Nation admirably for 55 years, including three years in the military and 52 years as a law enforcement officer.

Born on August 13, 1947, to parents Jo and Bill Allen, Dennis spent his childhood in Silsbee, Texas. Following his graduation from Silsbee High School in 1966, he joined the Army and served a year-long tour of duty in Vietnam from January 1967 to January 1968. In Vietnam, he spent his time as a light weapons member of a 10-man reconnaissance team in the Central Highlands area of North Pleiku.

After being honorably discharged in 1969, he attended Georgetown University and trained at the Metropolitan Police Academy in Washington, D.C. He later served as a patrolman, undercover detective, and member of the Civil Disturbance Unit for the Washington D.C. Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). As an MPD officer, he was one of many called to respond to the mass demonstrations in D.C. on "May Day" in 1969, which resulted in the arrests of more than 6,000 rioters and protesters of the Vietnam War.

In 1973, Dennis returned to his hometown in Texas and began working for the Silsbee Police Department, eventually serving in every position within the agency, including Chief of Police. He later moved on to work for two other law enforcement entities located in

Southeast Texas, including the Polk County Sheriff's Office, where he was the Captain of Detectives for ten years, and the Hardin County Sheriff's Office, where he held the positions of Deputy Sheriff, Sergeant, and Major of Criminal Investigations during his stay. In addition to his law enforcement education, Dennis holds a Master Peace Officer License through the state of Texas and has held that level of certification since 1994.

To say that Dennis has had a remarkable career is a vast understatement as few law enforcement officers reach 50 years of service. The positive impact he has made is evident by the number of officers he has mentored and trained, many of whom have become supervisors and administrators themselves. Their accomplishments are a direct reflection of the leadership and instruction they received from Major Allen.

Yet, life was not only about law enforcement for Dennis, especially after marrying his beautiful bride Sandy in 1973. Dennis and Sandy have two children, Kevin Allen and Stacy Caldwell, and are also the proud grandparents of six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Madam Speaker, I would like to thank Major Dennis Allen for his more than half a century of unwavering commitment to his community and country. He has done so with incredible integrity and professionalism, and I am honored to represent such a patriot in Congress.

### RECOGNIZING JOE EDMONSON AND FAMILY

**HON. TRENT KELLY**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate Mr. Joe Edmonson who has been named Mississippi's Farmer of the Year by the Sunbelt Agriculture expo. I am proud to have him representing our state.

Joe has been a motivated and passionate farmer for his entire life. At the age of fifteen, he purchased his first forty acres of land. Both Joe and his wife Melissa grew up in farming families and have dedicated their lives to Topshaw farms. Melissa is a full partner in the farms and is an essential figure in the Vardaman Sweet Potato Festival. Their daughter, Brandi also works in the business side of the farm. Her husband, Shaun manages the packing warehouse line. Son Trent oversees planting and harvesting, and his wife is a nurse who aids in minor medical incidents around the farm. Son Cody manages sweet potato planting and grain harvesting and his wife Lindsey works in the packing warehouse offices and manages H2A work.

The farm has endured multiple natural disasters that affected their crop and livestock. The Edmonson family has taken these hardships as opportunities to expand and built an impressive packing facility. They have taken

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into stride changes in agriculture technology and continue to evolve with the modern world. Joe and his family contribute to their surrounding community through the Boy Scouts, Vardaman FFA, Calhoun County 4-H and the state Farm Bureau.

Family is at the core of Mr. Edmonson's farming career. Joe, Melissa, Brandi, Trent and Cody have been a pillar of the Vardaman community and have made incredible contributions to Calhoun County. I am grateful for their lifetime of service and commend him for his outstanding work in agriculture.

RECOGNIZING COMPASSUS  
HOSPICE IN SPRINGFIELD, MO

**HON. BILLY LONG**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mr. LONG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Compassus Hospice in Springfield, MO for their innovative work in providing hospice care.

Founded in 1979, Compassus Hospice in Springfield is the oldest facility in the Compassus system and has provided critical care for Southwest Missourians. Hospice providers deliver end-of-life services for seriously ill patients, including bereavement support for their families and community. Compassus Hospice has always been at the forefront of hospice care, leading the industry in innovation for end-of-life care.

Compassus Hospice has also worked to improve care by working with lawmakers to advance coordinated care with community partners. Their dedication to providing this critical care is truly commendable. November is National Hospice and Palliative Care Month, and Compassus in Springfield will celebrate its more than 40 years of patient care on November 18.

Madam Speaker, for 42 years, Compassus Hospice in Springfield has been at the leading edge of providing end-of-life healthcare along with bereavement service for families. I congratulate them on 42 years of service and wish them all the best in the many years to come.

CONGRATULATING **JEFFREY  
VENHUIZEN** FOR HIS RETIRE-  
MENT FROM THE ROCK ISLAND  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Chief Jeffrey R. VenHuizen, who is retiring from the Rock Island Police Department after nearly 29 years of service. His last day with the Department will be October 31, 2021.

Chief VenHuizen first joined the Rock Island Police Department on February 1, 1993, after earning a degree in Law Enforcement Administration from Western Illinois University. From K-9 Officer to Patrol Lieutenant, Chief VenHuizen has held every position imaginable at the Department. His peers rewarded him for

his hard work and steadfast dedication to protecting our community when he was named Chief of Police on December 10, 2012. Under his tutelage, the Department made outstanding strides forward. He helped enact the first body camera system in an agency of its kind in the Quad Cities region, implement community-oriented policing strategies, and reduce crime to unprecedented levels. Chief VenHuizen, along with his selflessness and dedication to the city of Rock Island, will be dearly missed.

It is because of courageous and venerable leaders such as Chief VenHuizen that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to, again, formally recognize Chief Jeffrey R. VenHuizen on his retirement and thank him for his almost 29 years of service to our community.

HONORING BENJAMIN BYNUM, SR.

**HON. DWIGHT EVANS**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mr. EVANS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a renown and trailblazing entrepreneur from Philadelphia, Benjamin Bynum, Sr., a savvy businessman, and former United States Marine who died on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at the age of 93.

Benjamin Louis Bynum, Sr. was born in Lexington, South Carolina on April 6, 1923. He was one of five brothers and five sisters. During World War II, he was a member of the Montford Point Marines, making him among the first African Americans to join the U.S. Marines Corps.

Mr. Bynum was also a long-time businessman that operated some of the most popular; restaurants, jazz, and blues venues in the city of Philadelphia. Venues including—the Cadillac Club, which became known for booking well-known entertainers such as Aretha Franklin, Nina Simone, Kenny Gamble, Count Basie, George Benson, Fats Domino, Woody Herman, Bill Paul, and the Stylistics. As a matter of fact, Bill Paul's first album was called "Feeling Good at the Cadillac Club," paying homage to the venue.

His venues were known for providing an upscale environment and terrific cuisine.

A cultural hub that was often frequented by black professionals and famous people. Which gave it a national reputation and following. Former Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter, who worked as a disc jockey under the name "Mixmaster Mike", at a Bynum establishment, credits Mr. Bynum in influencing him into getting in politics. Nutter said he got lessons in diplomacy, hospitality, and government while working there. He proclaimed, "I would never have been in public service if not for Ben Bynum."

Additionally, Mr. Bynum raised his sons to be business savvy and great restaurateurs. They are successful entrepreneurs in their own right. He was super proud of his children and their careers, declaring "This is the seed that I planted." Mr. Bynum was a hard worker that often stressed that he would never retire. He worked well into his 90's. He could often be detected working the door at his sons' restaurants.

As evidenced by his extraordinary life and career, Benjamin Bynum, Sr. served his nation in the military and was a trailblazing entrepreneur. He was a model citizen and proud Philadelphian. The 3rd Congressional District of Pennsylvania extends gratitude to Mr. Bynum for his dedicated support and service to the people and the city of Philadelphia. I offer sincere condolences to his family; to his brother, Jimmy, his sons Robert and Benjamin Jr., his daughters Antoinette, Benita, and Denee, nine grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild, his partner, Thelma and friends on his passing.

RECOGNIZING JOES, CO, VOLUN-  
TEER FIREFIGHTER LARRY  
WYANT

**HON. KEN BUCK**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mr. BUCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Joes, Colorado, volunteer firefighter Larry Wyant. On Tuesday, October 26, 2021, Mr. Wyant was headed to the funeral of another area firefighter, Mr. Darcy Stallings, when a fire began in a cornfield in southern Yuma County. Mr. Wyant was responding to the call when high winds changed the direction of the grasslands fire, claiming his life.

The small town of Joes is a close-knit community, and Mr. Wyant an integral part of it. Every volunteer stopped what they were doing to help contain the grasslands fire that day, according to Joes Fire Department. Mr. Wyant's commitment to his friends and community will be remembered. His bravery and heroic actions serve as a reminder of the great sacrifice our first responders make.

Madam Speaker, I am humbled and honored to recognize Mr. Wyant's service and sacrifice. I want to extend my deepest condolences to Mr. Wyant's family, friends, fellow firefighters, and community.

TRIBUTE IN MEMORY OF NANCY  
MITCHELL

**HON. HAROLD ROGERS**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the memory of my dear friend, Nancy Mitchell of Corbin, Kentucky, who earned her heavenly reward on October 24, 2021 after an extended battle with cancer.

Nancy and I first became acquainted when her husband, Bob Mitchell, helped lead my first congressional campaign in 1980. I asked Bob to serve as my District Director in 1981, and for 40 years, even after Bob retired, Nancy was a tried-and-true member of Team Rogers, quickly earning the friendship of countless folks across southern and eastern Kentucky with her welcoming smile and delightful personality. When it was time to hit the road for Town Hall meetings across my expansive rural, mountainous district, Nancy put her life and her business on hold to join us for many long days and nights traveling from county to county, learning how we could help

improve Kentucky's Appalachian region. It was truly a family affair.

After Bob and Nancy's daughters, Stephanie and Jenny, were born she focused her time on raising two incredible girls. Bob and I spent many days, covering a lot of miles across Kentucky's Fifth Congressional District every week, and Nancy never failed to provide unwavering support and encouragement along the way.

Nancy was the epitome of a leading lady with tremendous class. She built Mitchell Tax and Accounting from the ground up, starting with an office in their home so she could work while raising their two girls. She grew her business from a small tax service into one of the leading accounting firms in southern Kentucky, and she did so by treating her clients like true friends and beloved neighbors. In addition to running her own business, Nancy went on to be the first woman ever elected to the Corbin City Commission, simultaneously serving two terms as Vice Mayor of Corbin. She generously shared her expertise and savvy business style as a Trustee for Union College, a member of the Kentucky Board of Tax Appeals, and the KCEOC Community Action Partnership's Board of Directors. Nancy was also a dedicated Sunday School teacher, and she had a God-given gift of making every child feel special. In every aspect of her life, she was gracious with her time, humble in her conversations, and full of joy.

While expanding her business, Nancy never lost her passion for politics and public service. She served as Vice President of the Kentucky Federation of Republican Women, Vice Chair of the Republican Party of Knox County, and Treasurer of Kentucky's Fifth Congressional District Lincoln Club. In 2012, Bob and Nancy were jointly inducted into the Fifth Congressional District Lincoln Club Hall of Fame.

Above every achievement and success of her own, there was nothing that she took more pride in than her family, and especially her grandchildren: Tori, Taelor, Trenton and Ethan—who are all brilliant. Nancy beamed with pride when she shared stories about their latest accolades, and she was truly their biggest fan.

My wife, Cynthia, and I extend our deepest heartfelt sympathies to my closest friend, Bob and the entire Mitchell family. Everyone who knew and loved Nancy now has a special treasure waiting for them in heaven. She was bold in her faith in God and that gives us peace to carry on.

#### HONORING THE CAREER OF LINDA ANDREWS

#### HON. PETE STAUBER

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Mr. STAUBER. Madam Speaker, today, I am proud to honor the career of Linda Andrews, a Minnesota broadcasting legend who is retiring after 35 years in the radio industry.

Linda began her radio career as a part-time announcer on KWNG in Red Wing and will be concluding it in Brainerd as an experienced broadcaster admired by her colleagues and countless listeners across the region.

Linda moved to Brainerd, Minnesota in 1995, where she was a News Director and an-

nouncer for KLIZ-FM The Power Loon, KKLK-FM and more. In 2000, she became the midday announcer on WJYY-FM in Brainerd. During her tenure at the beloved station, they were awarded multiple Crystal Awards and one Service to America Award.

Over the past 26 years that Linda has spent broadcasting in Brainerd, she captivated the local audience and quickly became a fan-favorite in the community. She will be dearly missed by all of her listeners.

Linda's contributions to Brainerd, Minnesota and beyond will never be forgotten. I along with the rest of Minnesota's Eighth Congressional District wish her nothing but the best in her well-deserved retirement.

#### HONORING CAPTAIN LORI TURPIN

#### HON. JAMES R. BAIRD

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Mr. BAIRD. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor a dedicated public servant and distinguished member of our community, Captain Lori Turpin.

In 1971, Lori was sworn into the Navy Nurse Corps Scholarship program. For the following 30 years, she traveled the world providing medical care for members of our military.

Throughout her time in the Navy, she cared for service men and women throughout the United States and across the world in countries like Italy and Japan.

Following her retirement from the United States Navy in 2001, Captain Turpin's commitment and sense of duty was repurposed, as she continued to compassionately serve her community and American veterans.

Since 2007, Lori served as a Hendricks County Veterans Service Officer where she has truly embraced the mission to help veterans achieve a better life and support their community.

Lori's service led her to receive numerous awards and recognitions including numerous commendation medals from the United States Navy and the Sagamore of the Wabash, one of Indiana's highest honors.

I want to congratulate Captain Turpin on a great career of dedicated service to the United States and wish her the very best in her retirement.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I was unable to vote on the Republican En Bloc Amendment No. 2 to H.R. 2119 due to Chairing a Defense Appropriations Subcommittee hearing.

Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on the Foy, Letlow Amendment that would have placed unnecessary and dangerous restrictions on women's reproductive rights.

Although I opposed this amendment, I voted in favor of the underlying bill, the Family Vio-

lence Prevention and Services Improvement Act of 2021 (H.R. 2119).

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF SENIOR INSPECTOR JARED KEYWORTH, USMS

#### HON. STEVE SCALISE

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor an American hero and a dedicated husband and father. Jared Keyworth, from Mandeville, LA, served as a Senior Inspector with the United States Marshals Service and tragically lost his life in the line of duty earlier this month.

Senior Inspector Keyworth began his service with the Marshals in July of 2010. Upon graduation from the United States Marshals Academy, Senior Inspector Keyworth was first assigned to the District of Colorado-Denver and later served in the District of Southern Florida-Miami and District of Eastern Louisiana-New Orleans. In 2018, he was selected to serve the USMS Investigative Operations Division, Technical Operations Group in Baton Rouge, LA.

Prior to Senior Inspector Keyworth's service with the United States Marshals Service, he served his nation in the United States Army "Old Guard", the Caisson Platoon, HHC 1st Battalion, 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment. While in the Army, Jared Keyworth escorted the riderless horse, the symbol of a fallen leader who will never ride again, during President Ronald Reagan's funeral.

On September 28, 2021, Senior Inspector Keyworth was critically wounded while in pursuit of a violent felony offender in the state of Mississippi. He passed away on October 1, 2021.

Jared will forever be in our hearts and minds, and Jennifer and I will keep his family in our prayers. We are eternally grateful for his service to our great country.

#### RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF WALTER GANN

#### HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and service of Corporal Walter Gann, an American hero from Mississippi, who defended liberty against impossible odds in the Pacific during World War II.

Walter, born in Calhoun City on January 31, 1922, joined the U.S. Army on July 3, 1941. By July 15, he was aboard the USS *Coolidge* deployed to the Philippines as a member of the Army Signal Corps assigned to 409th Signal Company (Aviation) at Nichols Field outside Manila. The plan was to erect radar towers, but none of the equipment needed arrived on the ship with them.

Imperial Japan attacked the Philippines on December 8 and all the critical airfields were destroyed by December 10. Walter's company and the airmen were soon sent on combat

duty in the Bataan Peninsula. He was assigned to U.S. Army Forces Far East (USAFPE) headquarters at Little Baguio near the tip of Bataan.

The troops on Bataan, running out of ammunition, food, and medicine, with no hope of resupply or reinforcement, were surrendered by their commanding officers on April 9, 1942. Walter was among 86,000 American and Filipino prisoners of war who were forced on what became known as the infamous Bataan Death March, one of World War II's worst war crimes. In the tropical sun, deprived of food, water, and mercy, the men trekked 65 miles up Bataan to a train station. There they were packed standing 100 to a boxcar for the next 24 miles. Men died where they stood. Survivors marched another eight miles to their first POW camp, O'Donnell.

Walter, POW No. 203, was shipped to Japan in July 1943 packed in the dark, fetid hold of the hell ship *Clyde Maru* with 500 other POWs. He was sent to be a slave laborer at Fukuoka No. 17 POW Camp attached to the Mitsui-owned Miike coal mine in southern Japan close to Nagasaki. Starved, beaten, and denied medical care, he was forced to dig coal in a primitive mine until the camp was liberated in September 1945. The coal mine is now a UNESCO Industrial World Heritage site, albeit without mention of the thousands of POWs held there or that the mine had remained reliant on manual labor and not modern machinery.

Although asked to testify in Japan at the war crime trials held from 1946 to 1948, Mr. Gann could not return because he remained too sick from the various illnesses he suffered from during his three and one-half years as a POW. For the remainder of his life, Walter bore the weight of all the horror and inhumanity he had witnessed. When he was able to work, Walter was a truck driver.

In 1949, Walter moved to Booneville, Mississippi, and married Juanita Goddard. Together they raised four children. In 1963, he lost both his wife and his stepson. In his later years, he lived in Chattanooga, Tennessee, until he passed away on October 14, 1980.

During his lifetime, Walter was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, the Purple Heart, the World War II Victory Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with one bronze campaign star, the American Defense Service Medal with one bronze campaign star, and the Philippine Defense Medal. He also received a letter from President Harry S. Truman thanking him for his service. Posthumously, he received the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement, the Prisoner of War Medal, and the Presidential Unit Citation with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters.

I am grateful for Corporal Walter Gann's commitment to faith, family, and democracy. I am humbled by his sacrifices for our country.

CONGRATULATING JEFF RANKIN  
FOR RECEIVING THE DISTINGUISHED  
SERVICE AWARD BY  
MONMOUTH COLLEGE

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jeff Rankin, who is this year's re-

cipient of the Distinguished Service Award by Monmouth College.

Mr. Rankin has always been drawn to Monmouth College, as his father played football for Monmouth. Further, his twin brother attended the institution and is now its Director of Theater. A strong affinity for Monmouth College is a part of the fabric of his family, which is why Mr. Rankin has truly been dedicated to sharing the story of Monmouth with the world for nearly his entire life. From 1992 until 2015, Mr. Rankin was Director of Communications for the College, where he served as an ambassador and one of its strongest advocates. He now assists the institution in a new position as the College's historian. Mr. Rankin's contributions to advancing the rapid progress of Monmouth College have been significant and invaluable.

It is because of passionate and leaders such as Jeff Rankin that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to, again, formally congratulate Jeff Rankin on receiving the Distinguished Service Award and thank him for his service to the Monmouth community.

IN HONOR OF ROBERT E. JULIANO

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 27, 2021*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, Robert E. Juliano passed from this earth on October 18, 2021, at age 80. His passing is a great loss to our country and to the Union members he represented so loyally for so many years. It is a particular loss to the United States Congress, because he believed so passionately in our institution. It is no less a loss to so many of us in Congress who treasured Bob Juliano both professionally and personally.

Bob was born May 20, 1941, to Emil and Mary Salvaria Juliano in his beloved hometown of Chicago. Bob was a true product of Taylor Street and the West Side of Chicago, and he never lost his roots there.

As a young man Bob Juliano became a personnel manager at the Palmer House Hilton Hotel in downtown Chicago. There he met the late Edward T. Hanley, then the leader in Chicago of the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union (HERE), the Union now known as UNITE HERE, which represents the workers at the iconic Palmer House.

One of President Hanley's first acts when he became International President of HERE in 1973 was to hire Bob Juliano as the Union's first full-time Legislative Representative. It was unorthodox to hire a management person to represent the Union's members, and equally unorthodox to send to Washington someone with no lobbying experience at all.

President Hanley's unorthodox appointment was a response to Bob Juliano's passionate belief, founded in his Catholic faith and Jesuit education, in bringing people together. Over the years, he put that belief into practice by bringing together management and labor as well as people of all colors and faiths.

In Congress, Bob brought together Republicans and Democrats, liberals and conservatives, Members from smaller states and big

cities. His faith in all of us is so sorely missed today. He had no interest in labels like conservative, moderate, or progressive. His interest was always in finding the best in each of us and giving each of us the opportunity to do something good for everyday Americans.

Bob had literally countless friends in Congress. They included, among many others, Senators as diverse as Senator Robert J. Dole, Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Senator Orrin Hatch, Senator Samuel Brownback, and Senators of both parties from his home state of Illinois, such as Everett Dirksen and RICHARD J. DURBIN. He lived long enough to relish the ascension of his friend Joe Biden to the Presidency of the United States.

In the House of Representatives, he likewise had strong relationships with Members across the spectrum, such as former Representatives Chris Cannon and Frank LoBiondo and his long-time close friend, House Appropriations Chair ROSA DELAUNO, among many others. He regarded the late Speaker Tip O'Neill as an important mentor.

Bob was particularly close to leaders of the Black Caucus, including the late Rep. John Lewis. He regarded the struggle for equality as the single most important issue of his lifetime. His belief in equality led him to work actively for civil rights and immigration reform, issues so important to the hospitality industry and to our nation.

One key to Bob's success on Capitol Hill was his many relationships with the staff who serve us as Members. Bob knew most of our Chiefs of Staff. He cared about everyone, whether the shoe-shine person, the Capitol Police Officer, the receptionist in our offices, the staff in the Doorkeepers' offices, the custodian, the food service worker—he knew and genuinely cared about them all. They responded to Bob because they sensed that his interest in them was genuine, and not simply a means to an end. Because of that sincere interest in everyone, Bob had a network anyone else would envy.

Bob Juliano was a product of the hospitality industry, and never was there a person more hospitable. He knew wine and food better than almost anyone, and he relished hosting so many people from so many walks of life.

Bob never left behind his roots in Chicago and his roots in the hospitality industry. Rank and file hotel and restaurant workers in Chicago and nationwide knew him. Representing their best interests was his lodestone.

He was a vigorous representative of UNITE HERE and its members. At the same time, he represented important employers such as American Express and NASCAR. Bob never saw that as a conflict, because he was so adept at finding common ground. The successive Presidents of the Union that he served never saw it as a conflict either, because he was so good at bringing people together. One important example was his long service on the US Travel and Tourism Advisory Board, where he advocated for workers and for the industry as a whole.

The late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin of Chicago called Bob Juliano his lobbyist. Bob was very proud to have served as a pall bearer for Cardinal Bernardin and for Speaker O'Neill. Among his many honors, he was especially proud to have been an Honoree of the Sons of Italy Foundation.

Robert E. Juliano is survived by his son, Robert E. Juliano, Jr., of Chicago. He was

predeceased by his parents and his beloved sisters, Rosemary, Maryann, and Jeanette.

# RECOGNIZING YUMA, CO, VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER DARCY STALLINGS

## HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Mr. BUCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of volunteer firefighter Mr. Darcy Stallings. On October 21, 2021, Mr. Stallings passed away in an automobile accident while responding in his private vehicle to a call for a grasslands fire. His heroic actions and bravery stand as a reminder of the great sacrifice made by those who volunteer to serve their community as first responders.

Mr. Stallings was a highly respected firefighter who volunteered for the City of Yuma's Volunteer Fire Department for nine years. Growing up in Yuma and serving on the board of the Yuma County Fairgrounds, he was an integral part of the community. Good people like Mr. Stallings represent the best of America. He was deeply committed to his family and community, and he will be remembered for his willingness to help others. On October 21, Colorado lost a dedicated community servant, friend, and father.

I want to extend my deepest condolences to Mr. Stallings' family, friends, fellow firefighters, and community. Madam Speaker, I am humbled and honored to recognize Mr. Stallings' service and sacrifice.

## HONORING RICHARD TRUMKA

SPEECH OF

## HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Mr. RYAN. Madam Speaker, I am deeply saddened to hear about the loss of Richard Trumka. For those who knew him, Richard personified the integrity and selflessness he carried with him each day, sharing with all that he met. I was privileged to share a friendship with Richard, and when I first came to know him, I was immediately inspired by his passionate and courageous spirit.

I don't think there was a major election in Ohio over the past number of years where Richard was not in Niles or Youngstown or Akron campaigning and energizing union members. I was always impressed about how down to earth he was and how he had the common touch. But he was smart, he understood labor law, he knew the politics of the issues affecting workers and knew what the average worker was facing and the challenges. Most importantly, he understood the process of what needed to happen to make things better.

Richard was a hero of the labor movement and a champion for American Workers. He fought tirelessly to advocate for social and economic justice. As head of the AFL-CIO, he launched initiatives aimed at reaching younger workers, backed the "Fight for \$15" effort to raise the minimum wage and called for em-

ployees to have a voice in ensuring their workplaces have proper safety protocols.

Richard served on the boards of the National Labor College, The AFL-COP's Solidarity Center, The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, among others. He also sat on the boards of the Economic Policy Institute and the Housing Investment Trust and served as President Emeritus of the United Mine Workers. He spent his life working tirelessly as an inspiring advocate for the Catholic social justice principle of honoring the dignity of the worker.

Richard's work has motivated me to continue advocating on behalf of workers and ensuring them a safe and secure future by protecting their ability to organize and collectively bargain. I am forever grateful that I was able to work alongside Richard and witness the impact he had on the American people. His advocacy will live on to empower others to follow in his footsteps in pushing for positive social change.

## SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, October 28, 2021 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

## MEETINGS SCHEDULED

NOVEMBER 2

10 a.m.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Subcommittee on Food and Nutrition, Specialty Crops, Organics, and Research

To hold hearings to examine the state of nutrition in America 2021.

SH-216

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the Labor transition, focusing on protecting consumers and investors.

SD-538

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine cleaning up online marketplaces, focusing on protecting against stolen, counterfeit, and unsafe goods.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development

To hold hearings to examine training the Department of State's workforce for the 21st century diplomacy.

SD-G50/VTC

NOVEMBER 3

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine implementation of aviation safety reform.

SR-253

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine programs at the Economic Development Administration.

SD-406

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine pending nominations.

SD-226

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 587, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to provide that the President or certain agency heads may remove the Inspector General, or place an Inspector General on non-duty status, only if certain conditions are satisfied, S. 1794, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to provide testimonial subpoena authority, S. 2273, to authorize Inspectors General to continue operations during a lapse in appropriations, S. 2991, to establish a Department of Homeland Security Center for Countering Human Trafficking, S. 3035, to establish the Artificial Intelligence Hygiene Working Group, S. 2993, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency the National Cyber Exercise Program, S. 2491, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the National Cyber Resilience Assistance Fund, to improve the ability of the Federal Government to assist in enhancing critical infrastructure cyber resilience, to improve security in the national cyber ecosystem, to address Systemically Important Critical Infrastructure, S. 2540, to make technical corrections to title XXII of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, S. 2274, to authorize the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to establish an apprenticeship program and to establish a pilot program on cybersecurity training for veterans and members of the Armed Forces transitioning to civilian life, S. 2322, to require a pilot program on the participation of non-asset-based third-party logistics providers in the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism, S. 2793, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to establish an enhanced use lease pilot program, S. 2541, to authorize the reclassification of the tactical enforcement officers (commonly known as the "Shadow Wolves") in the Homeland Security Investigations tactical patrol unit operating on the lands of the Tohono O'odham Nation as special agents, S. 1941, to direct the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to standardize the

use of core-based statistical area designations across Federal programs, to allow between 120 and 180 days for public comment on any proposed change to such designations, and to report on the scientific basis and estimated impact to Federal programs for any proposed change to such designations, S. 2838, to require the Director of the Government Publishing Office to establish and maintain an online portal accessible to the public that allows the public to obtain electronic copies of all congressionally mandated reports in one place, S. 419, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for a full annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers, S. 442, to amend title 40, United States Code, to require the Administrator of General Services to procure the most life-cycle cost effective and energy efficient lighting products and to issue guidance on the efficiency, effectiveness, and economy of those products, S. 2483, to require the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to establish cybersecurity guidance for small organizations, S. 2989, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the Blue Campaign of the Department of

Homeland Security, S. 138, to waive certain pay limitations for Department of Agriculture and Department of the Interior employees engaged in emergency wildland fire suppression activities, H.R. 2662, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978, H.R. 4426, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that the needs of children are considered in homeland security planning, H.R. 3263, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Department of Homeland Security a medical countermeasures program, H.R. 2617, to amend section 1115 of title 31, United States Code, to amend the description of how performance goals are achieved, H.R. 4363, to establish a daily public reporting requirement for covered contract awards of the Department of Homeland Security, H.R. 3419, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 66 Meserole Avenue in Brooklyn, New York, as the “Joseph R. Lentol Post Office”, H.R. 2044, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 17 East Main Street in Herington, Kansas, as the “Captain Emil J. Kapaun Post Office Building”, an original bill entitled, “Federal Risk

and Authorization Management Program Act”, and the nominations of Ernest W. DuBester, of Virginia, and Susan Tsui Grundmann, of Virginia, both to be Member, and Kurt Thomas Rumsfeld, of Maryland, to be General Counsel, all of the Federal Labor Relations Authority.

SD-342

2:30 p.m.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine upholding Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe commitments in Hungary and Poland.

SD-419

3 p.m.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense collaboration, focusing on improving outcomes for servicemembers and veterans.

SR-418

NOVEMBER 16

10 a.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Homeland Security.

SD-106